

I operate a small WISP in east central Indiana. In the 9 months that I have been in operation, I have already run into instances where it would have been very helpful to have the 3650MHz band available as the original rule proposes. The need for longer range, better penetration through trees and other vegetation, less interference, and equipment that works along side the competition's equipment would have garnered many customers. We currently can service only about 50% of those who request our service.

Having spectrum that is only for Wireless Internet, requires registration, and has equipment that does not interfere with others in the same band is critical for our future success. If affordable equipment were available today under the current rule, I would be installing it tomorrow.

I have the same concerns about spectrum usage that I know some others have expressed as well. While I do not use any of the 900MHz gear, I understand some of it utilizes enough of the allocated frequencies that others are driven out. That is not a fair way to use the spectrum in my opinion.

My company is small and just starting, but we are servicing customers that have no other high-speed Internet options. To do as some have suggested and license 2 25MHz blocks based on population would potentially force me out of market areas that I would be able to compete in under the current rules.

Please leave the rule as proposed as it will do as it appears you intended. It will open a new realm of Broadband Internet to many people that now have no options. If changes to the rule must be made, I hope that it is only to more narrowly define how the equipment must behave to work with other vendor's equipment.